

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** because a home provides shelter and a safe place where families can prosper and children can thrive, homeownership is an important part of the American dream; and

**WHEREAS,** homeownership unites families, empowers communities, and strengthens both local and national economies; and

**WHEREAS,** homeownership encourages personal responsibility and strong values while creating more stable neighborhoods, civic-minded residents, better schools, and less crime; and

**WHEREAS,** the annual observance of National Homeownership Month provides an opportunity to work together to provide all families with the tools and information they need to overcome barriers to homeownership.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 2005 as

### HOMEOWNERSHIP MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to promote quality affordable housing, safe communities, and increased ownership opportunities for the residents of the Palmetto State.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**